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The Labor Editor Speaks

THE NEW PATRIOTISM

"My country, right or wrong; may she always be right, but my country!"

That sounds good, doesn't it? But is it good? This classic American slogan, when analyzed calmly, proves a mischief-maker. Every German who served under Adolph Hitler and obeyed orders to kill, loot, rape and destroy will attempt to justify himself with just such a slogan. If enough Germans had at the beginning recognized the evil of fascism and had stood up on their hind legs to oppose the government (country) as it prepared to bathe Europe in blood, there would have been no war. From now on out, Hirohito will try to rally his slaves for the last desperate stand with the battle-cry: "Remember your country, right or wrong!"

True national pride in constructive achievement is one thing. Acquiescence in injustice just because one's own country is guilty of it—that is *jingoisism*, and fascism grows as naturally out of jingoism as mushrooms out of manure piles.

That great American citizen of German birth, Carl Schurz, phrased it better: "Our country, right or wrong. When right, to be kept right; when wrong, to be put right." But even that lacks something. For if every citizen of every country is to take the position that, after he has failed to put his country right, he is nevertheless morally bound to take up arms against peoples of other countries to enforce a great wrong dictated by his government, the prospect of world peace fades out completely. At this critical time in the world's history perhaps it would be better to impress on the minds of our school children the paraphrase of another famous patriotic slogan:

"Millions for defense—not one cent for imperialism or aggression against the peoples of other countries!"

PROSPERITY AND WASTE

The greatest problem of our time—a time of specialization in all lines of production—is distribution. The fundamental principle which must be applied at all times and in all situations is: *That all costs between producer and consumer must be kept as low as possible.*

There must be low interest, low rent, low taxes on transactions, low profits and high turnover, efficient transportation, efficient distribution services.

For instance, the cost of advertising is added to the price of an article. Advertising that is not definitely educative or conducive to mass production is a social loss.

Advertising helped bring about greatly reduced prices for automobiles by stimulating mass production, but it has only increased the cost of bread. The pyramiding of useless costs for a pound of wheat from the time it leaves the farmer until it arrives on your table in the form of loaves is fantastic.

Of course, there must be buying capacity, steady work and good wages, but that is another side to the many-sided prosperity story.

CODDLING THE BIG CROOKS

Almost every day in the United States will appear some such item as the one concerning the parole of Dick Leche, ex-governor of Louisiana. Leche cheated the state out of \$51,000 on a highway truck deal; got a boat costing \$15,000 out of state funds; got \$70,000 from a black market oil dealer. He has served three years of a ten year sentence, and now is applying for a parole.

William Warren, president of a wholesale liquor company, by adulterating liquor and selling above "ceiling," cleaned up a million dollars. He was fined \$3,000 and sentenced to a year in jail.

Under such procedure the criminal can steal a million, serve two or three years, pay a fine of one-tenth of what he stole, and then go free to spend the rest.

The penalty should provide that the criminal should remain in prison until full refund has been made, when possible. Any person aiding him to "cover up" stolen money should be treated likewise. All paroles and probation should require restitution of property or restoration of damage done.

BANK INFLATION

Banks now hold about \$100 billion in U. S. Government bonds. Under the banking laws passed by Congress in the "panic days," these bonds are "security" for the issue (to the local banks) of Federal Reserve Bank notes. This means that the amount of money that can be loaned by the banks is, for all practical purposes, unlimited. As in the 20's, the banks will be tempted to loan more and more money on security more and more subject to panic prices, foreclosures and bankruptcy.

Most of the bonds acquired by the banks are those turned in by purchasers. In October 1944 the bonds "redeemed" by the banks were 57.6 per cent of the sales; in February, 1945, 38.1 per cent. The stage is being set for a frightening inflation.

Moral: Don't cash your bonds! Don't buy things you don't need!

GIGGLES AND GROANS

REPLACEMENTS SIMPLE

The prim, bespectacled Sunday-school teacher brought her young class to order:

"Now, you have just heard me tell you the story of wise King Solomon," she said. "And of the two women who both claimed the baby, and how King Solomon ordered the baby cut in two and half given to each supposed mother: whereupon one of the women cried to the king to give the child to the other woman, thus proving that she herself was the real mother."

The teacher paused and glanced around her class, then added: "Now, I am going to ask one of you in the class what you would have done if you had been in King Solomon's place. All right, Willie." To her great consternation William, in all the bright innocence of his seven years, spoke right up: "I would have said: 'Why must you ladies quarrel over a mere baby?—there's plenty more where this one came from.'"

POINT AT ISSUE

"I wore this gown to the party despite my husband's objections."

"That shows a lot of backbone."

"I'll say. That's why he objected to it."

TREMENDOUS DEMAND

CUSTOMER (in book shop): "Can you get me a copy of Kathleen Winsor's sensational best-seller, 'Forever Under'?"

WITHIN THE FOLD

"You mean to tell me that he just sat on the sofa all evening with his arms folded?"

"Yes, but I was in them."

PERFECTLY LOGICAL

"If a drunk is Souze of the Border in Mexico, what is he in France?"

"Plaster of Paris."

SURE FULL OF IT

A true story going the rounds reports the case of a man in Providence, Rhode Island. It seems that he went to the medicine cabinet to get an aspirin, but by mistake swallowed one of the pills bought by his wife for her petunia plant.

At once realizing his mistake, he made a bee-line for the telephone to call up his drug store. The pharmacist reassured him and said there was nothing really to worry about. He said:

"You see, you've merely swallowed the equivalent of 18 bushels of manure."

SLIGHT ERROR

CALKER: "You say you were on a furlong? You mean a furlough."

RIGGER: "No, I mean furlong. I went too far and stayed too long."

ATTENTION: ELSA MAXWELL

From a Brooklyn department store's newspaper ad:

LADIES' SILK RAYON BLOOMERS, 29 cents a pair. TABLE COVERS TO MATCH, 39 cents.

THE PROPER LOCATION

Said the tattoo artist to the departing logger:

"Now remember, don't sit down for a few hours—give Hitler's face a chance to dry."

Stockholders In Revolt Against Ward's Policies

Chicago, Illinois
Revolt against Sewell L. Avery's anti-labor and anti-government policies flared at the hottest temperature yet reached at Montgomery Ward & Co.'s annual stockholders meeting here. More than 160,000 shares of Ward stock backed up a proxy statement at the meeting charging that Board Chairman Avery's management of the company had damaged not only the company but the country.

The proxies had been solicited from more than 60,000 Ward shareholders before the meeting by a shareholders protest group. The group has been campaigning against the Avery management throughout its notorious fight against United Retail, Wholesale and Department Store Employees and its defiance of the National War Labor Board, which came to a climax last winter when President Roosevelt ordered army seizure of Ward properties to end their interference with the war effort.

STEEL UNION WINS BARGAINING RIGHT FOR ALUMINUM CO.

Alcoa, Tennessee
The United Steelworkers is still bargaining agent for workers at the Aluminum Co. of America here, receiving three times as many votes as the United Mine Workers (unaffiliated) and the AFL in an NLRB election. The steelworkers received 3654 votes, UMW Dist. 50, 985, AFL, 810 and no union, 129.

THE MARCH OF LABOR

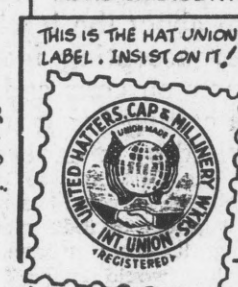


LABOR WORKS—FIGHTS—GIVES—AND BUYS U.S. WAR BONDS!

A NEW SPEED RECORD IN ORGANIZING A PLANT AND SIGNING A CONTRACT IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN SET BY THE STEEL WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, C.I.O., IN THE EASTON & ALLENTOWN PLANTS OF THE HARRY CROWDER CO. EMPLOYEES HELD THEIR FIRST UNION MEETING AT 5 P.M., MEMBERSHIP CARDS WERE SIGNED AND A CONTRACT DRAWN UP BY 7 P.M. COMPANY OFFICIALS AND UNION REPRESENTATIVES MET AT 8 P.M. AT 9 P.M. THE COMPANY SIGNED.

Port Pius XI, IN THE ENCYCLICAL LETTER, "QUADRAGESIMO ANNO," ISSUED IN MAY, 1931:

"IN THE FIRST PLACE THE WAGE PAID TO THE WORKINGMAN MUST BE SUFFICIENT FOR THE SUPPORT OF HIMSELF AND HIS FAMILY... LABOR, INDEED, ... IS NOT A MERE CHATTEL, SINCE THE HUMAN DIGNITY OF THE WORKINGMAN MUST BE RECOGNIZED IN IT, AND CONSEQUENTLY IT CANNOT BE BOUGHT AND SOLD LIKE ANY PIECE OF MERCHANDISE..."



WHY WOMEN CRY (OR WENCHES WITH WENCHES), by Elizabeth Hawes, Published by Reynal & Hitchcock, New York. Price, \$2.50.

Men, there's a revolution cooking in your own kitchens—revolution of the forgotten female, who is finally waking up to the fact that she can produce other things besides babies. The day of the common man is coming up—and "don't think the common woman is just sitting around preparing to spend the whole of that day in the kitchen."

This is what Elizabeth Hawes says. It's an account of her experiences as a grinder in the Wright Aeronautical Corp. plant in Paterson, N. J., where she joined the United Auto Workers (CIO) and went to union meetings.

Miss Hawes saw women working in plants along with men, doing a good job, and liking it. She thinks every woman should have the chance to work outside her own home. "No woman on God's earth," she says, "wants to have her entire life swing around a solitary, boring, repetitive business which means exhausting herself washing the same dishes and clothes day in and day out—cooking food for the same people, seldom seeing a living soul other than a tired husband and her own children for more than a very short time."

But the women Miss Hawes worked with in the Wright plant

had a tough time. After putting in a full day's work at the plant they had to clean their houses, do the family washing, go marketing, cook, and keep an eye on their children. They also wanted to give some attention to their husbands. Only way some women on the night shift got any sleep was by coming an hour early to the plant to catch a brief nap.

But if we had the right kind of housing and child care facilities, Miss Hawes says, all this drudgery wouldn't be necessary. Children would be healthier, women would be happier—and so would their men. Main hope for women today is political pressure from organized labor to get local, state and federal housing and child care programs, the author says. Unions work to make life better for human beings—female as well as male, she says.

She was very much impressed with what labor unions can do. Women should get into them and work with the men in collective bargaining, on labor-management committees and in the political activity of the local, she thinks. "In industrial work," she declares, "is no longer solely a male job, so if men try, alone, to cope with industrial problems facing the union, they will fail."

"And the men must work along with us in the solution of our basic home problems or there will, in the end, be no homes worth mentioning in the USA."

—BETTY GOLDSTEIN.

POEM OF THE WEEK

Prayer for Guidance

Make me too brave to lie or be unkind.
Make me too understanding, too, to mind
The little hurts companions give and friends,
The careless hurts that no one quite intends.
Make me too thoughtful to hurt others so.
Help me to know
The inmost hearts of those for whom I care
Their secret wishes, all the loads they bear
That I may add my courage to their own.
Help me make lonely folk feel less alone
And happy ones a little happier yet!
Help me forget
What to be forgotten; and recall
Unfailing all
That ought to be recalled, each kindly thing;
Forgetting what might sting.
To all upon my way,
Day after day
Let me be joy, be hope! Let my life sing!

—ANONYMOUS.

Labor Executives Pledge Full Support for Seventh



Western CIO and AFL Labor Executives in 7th War Loan Drive conference with War Finance officials in Chicago.

IF YOU HAVE AN INCOME

you have a quota
in the Mighty 7th War Loan

Find your quota and make it! We've got to make the 7th the biggest yet!

IF YOUR AVERAGE INCOME PER MONTH IS:	YOUR PERSONAL WAR BOND QUOTA IS: (CASH VALUE)	MATURITY VALUE OF 7th WAR LOAN BONDS BOUGHT
\$250	\$187.50	\$250
225-250	150.00	200
210-225	131.25	175
200-210	112.50	150
180-200	93.75	125
140-180	75.00	100
100-140	37.50	50
Under \$100	18.75	25



ALL OUT FOR THE MIGHTY 7th WAR LOAN

Give Your Dollars a Chance to Fight!

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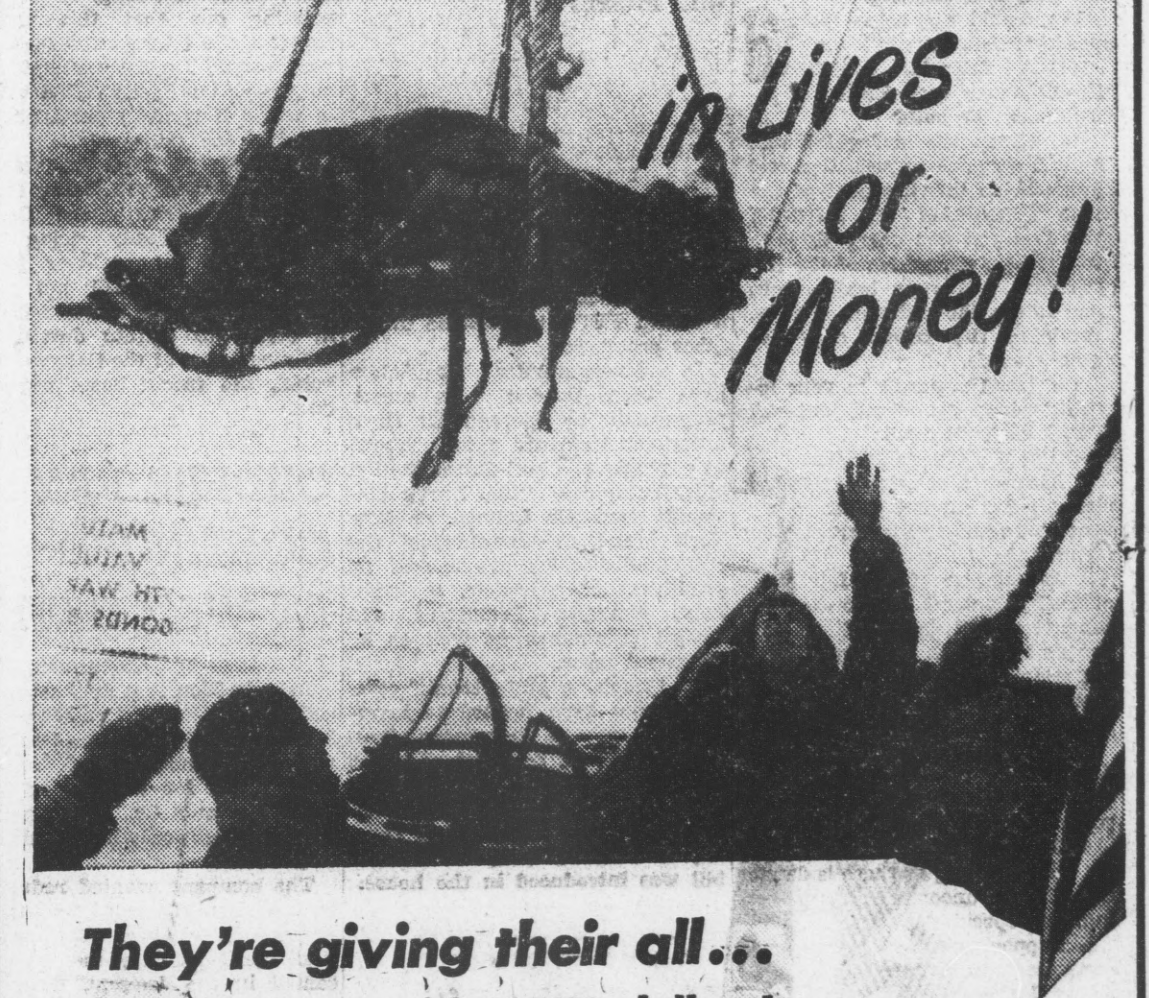
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VICTORY IS NEVER CHEAP



They're giving their all...
back them up with YOUR dollars!

As the battle lines approach the heart of the enemy's homeland, the fighting grows fiercer...and more costly in men, material and money. That's one reason why every red-blooded American must back this mighty 7th War Loan with every dollar he can lay hands on. Another reason is that this is really two drives in one. In the same period last

year, you were asked to invest in two war loans, as against one this time.

No need to tell you that War Bonds are the safest and best investment in the world. So pour out your might, Americans, in the MIGHTY 7th War Loan. Let's show our valiant Fighting Men that we're backing them to the limit of our means... 100%.



The production front record of management and labor is magnificent—it needs and should have no apology Gen. George C. Marshall, Chief of Staff, U.S. Army

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SALINAS

CALIFORNIA

This Advertisement—prepared under auspices of Treasury Department and War Advertising Council

THE Victory Volunteers ARE ON THE MARCH

WELCOME THE
Victory Volunteer
who calls on YOU

They come to enlist your help in the

MIGHTY 7th WAR LOAN

★ BUY BIGGER BONDS and MORE of them ★

FIND YOUR QUOTA... AND MAKE IT!

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HELP YOUR COMMUNITY TO MAKE ITS QUOTA BY MEETING YOUR PERSONAL QUOTA

BY THIS time last year Victory Volunteers in this community had made the rounds twice to get out fighting dollars for War Bonds. So if you've wondered why no one has called on you yet in 1945, here's the reason... The Mighty 7th War Loan (starting May 14) will be TWO GREAT DRIVES COMBINED IN ONE!

And think what that means. All the old rules of buying you set for yourself in the past are out. America's growing battle might is costing more dollars every hour. Only by your purchase of MORE BONDS AND BIGGER ONES in this double drive will you be doing right by the men who fight.

Remember that your community has a quota it will be proud to make. It's made up of all the personal quotas of you... your neighbor next door... the people up and down your street... EVERYBODY in this vicinity. So it's EVERYBODY ALL OUT... buy bigger bonds and more of them when the Victory Volunteer calls. Our fighting men are watching what you do!



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Legislature Puts Kibosh On Cecil DeMille Gag Bill

(Release from Office of California State Federation of Labor)

The fight led by the California State Federation of Labor against A.B. 1953 (Davis and Call), commonly known as the "DeMille bill," was brought to a successful conclusion when the Assembly voted to table the measure by 50 to 27.

A.B. 298 (Doyle and Thomas) passed the Assembly 44 to 26. This bill authorizes the Board of Cosmetology to establish minimum price schedules, similar to those now successfully applied by barber shops. The bill had the support of labor and the majority of the industry.

A.B. 1350 (Stream, Kraft, Niehouse), providing for a state-wide system of freeways, which would furnish many construction jobs in the post-war period, passed by a vote of 60 to 11.

A.B. 248 and 249 (Waters) were adopted unanimously. These measures would change the law relative to printing and distribution of voters' registration lists, and were supported by the Allied Printing Trades. They will help break the monopoly of a non-union shop that now holds the contract for the big printing job in Los Angeles County.

The following action on bills pending was taken by the Assembly Committee on Industrial Relations:

A.B. 672 (King et al), seeking to relax restrictions on the employment of minors in bowling alleys, was tabled.

A.B. 332 (Gaffney et al), authorizing the Labor Commissioner to collect employees' claims for vacation time and severance pay, was passed as amended. The Federation opposed the measure in its original form because the language was so broad that it could have been construed to affect cases before the War Labor Board against the interest of labor.

A.B. 333 (Gaffney et al) was passed as amended. This measure requires employers to issue separate slips or pay checks with detachable stubs showing all deductions. The amendment deleted the penalty clause, which will make enforcement more difficult.

A.B. 335 (Gaffney et al), which includes all employers in the prohibition against interfering with the political rights of workers, was given a "do pass." The present law on the subject is applicable only to firms employing 20 or more people.

A.B. 1974 (Collins, George D.) was discussed at length but no action was taken. This measure would establish machinery to regulate hours, wages, and working conditions of domestic employees. The vote on a motion for favorable recommendation was 5 to 5. With 8 "ayes" required for a "do pass," the bill therefore still remains on the committee file. FOR DISCHARGE FROM COMMITTEE: Dekker, Fletcher, Gaffney, Hawkins, Lyons; AGAINST: Butters, Davis, Geddes, Guthrie, Thompson.

Thirty-seven unemployment insurance bills sponsored by Senator Shelley and 4 other members of the Senate Interim Committee, which studied this subject last year, were given favorable recommendations by the Assembly Committee on Finance and Insurance. Although these measures are largely technical, it is the consensus of opinion that their enactment would materially improve the present law.

A.B. 1179 (Dunn and Sheridan), a Federation-sponsored bill, received a favorable recommendation by the Senate Labor Committee.

Indecent Haste to Get Argentina Into Conference May Be the First Step to Pave Way for Mr. Franco

By "OBSERVER"

We are giving here some thoughts of J. Alvarez del Vayo who was Republican Spain's representative on the Council of the League of Nations from September 1936 to January 1939. This was during the time that Franco, Mussolini and Hitler were engaged in destroying the Spanish Republic and establishing fascism. These significant statements are from an article appearing in the May 5 Nation:

"The most important task in the creation of a new security organization is rigidly to maintain the principle that no nation whose political regime makes it unfit to work for peace should be admitted to membership. No fascist state can be taken in without endangering the whole structure."

"... every fascist state is potentially an aggressor, and Geneva offers conclusive evidence that to attempt to hold together aggressors and non-aggressors is to paralyze the machinery of peace."

"In the secret meetings of the League council... it was evident that the insane desire to win back Hitler and Mussolini (who had withdrawn) condemned the League to inaction and discredit."

"... it was not the defects of the Covenant of the League, nor the lack of an international police force, nor the voting procedure, but they do not want power in the hands of the people of Spain, united and as firm in their anti-fascist convictions as during the years of war (Republic vs. Franco, Mussolini and Hitler). These people will put Franco in a seat in the Security Conference."

"(By taking in) Argentina, the war, which President Roosevelt said was waged to secure the destruction of fascist tyranny, misses its chief aim... One fascist state after another will follow."

"Within the last few weeks very influential British conservatives have again come to the conclusion that Franco must be kept in power, and in this effort the American ambassador is warmly co-operating. What they do not want is power in the hands of the people of Spain, united and as firm in their anti-fascist convictions as during the years of war (Republic vs. Franco, Mussolini and Hitler). These people will put Franco in a seat in the Security Conference."

Well, if the San Francisco conference winds up by inviting Franco to join up, we can't say that del Vayo didn't warn us about playing with fire!

Court Rebukes Little Caesar In Case Aided By Federation

(Release from Office of State Federation of Labor)

San Francisco, Calif.

An important decision for labor was won in the case of Greene vs. the Pacific Naval Air Base Contractors. In its decision issued on March 30, 1945, the California State Supreme Court held: "The days when a servant was practically the slave of his master have long since passed. In order that the dignity of the employer-employee relation be maintained and that present-day fundamental social concepts be preserved, the employee has the right without breaching his implied obligations to his employer to protest regarding working conditions and rules of his employer and request that they be altered. To that end he may discuss the subject with his fellow employees and join with them in a peaceful and orderly presentation of their grievances."

At their project on the Island of Midway, the Pacific Naval Air Base contractors employed a Mr. Sheik, notorious for his high-handed methods in treating the employees. The time booth set up by Mr. Sheik to check in and out the employees was always located on the most disadvantageous place on the island. This finally culminated into mass discontent, and Mr. Greene volunteered to represent his fellow-wage earners as their spokesman and presented a written petition to the management protesting the order. In the meantime, the time booth was moved to a more convenient place, and Mr. Greene was fired.

HARD TO GET ATTORNEY

When he returned to the mainland, he had considerable difficulty in obtaining the services of an attorney, in view of the fact that the Navy Department and the U. S. Attorney General's office supported the position of the employers. Finally, he succeeded in engaging Attorney J. P. Nunnally, a member of Painters Local Union 116. The defendants were represented by United States Government attorneys.

After Greene obtained a judgment in the lower court, based on finding that he had been fired arbitrarily and without just cause, the defendants appealed the case to the District Court of Appeal and obtained a reversal of the lower court's decision, with a scathing dissent written by the presiding Justice, Minor Moore, who upheld the rights of the employee.

FEDERATION HELPS

The California State Federation of Labor cooperated with Attorney Nunnally to correct this miscarriage of justice, and obtained a hearing in the State Supreme Court which resulted in the decision quoted above.



"I feel sorry for Sweden," said Mr. Dilworth.

"You would," said Little Luther. "Yes, they're going to have trouble finding another customer for their iron ore now Germany's knocked out of the war," his father said. "No wonder they broke off diplomatic relations with Germany on V-E Day."

"Maybe they could sell it to Japan," Little Luther suggested. "Or have they screwed up their courage like Franco and broken off relations with Japan, too?" "I don't know, really," Mr. Dilworth answered. "I haven't had the radio on lately."

"First thing you know," Little Luther said, "the duPonts will be breaking off relations with I. G. Farbenindustrie."

"That will be the day," said Mr. Dilworth.

"It will, indeed," his son agreed. "What I find difficult to understand, however, is Eamon de Valera giving his flowery condolences to Germany on the death of Hitler."

"Just a bit of Irish humor, my boy. Nothing wrong in that."

"Then there must be a lot of Irish humorists in Portugal," Little Luther said. "I noticed they went into two days national mourning for Hitler."

"Just protocol, my boy, just protocol."

"Protocol or no protocol," Little Luther said, "they'd better keep their mourning pants pressed. They're going to get a lot of opportunity to wear them soon, grieving for their Japanese friends."

Building for Rural Areas Shows Increase

Washington, D. C.

Building construction started in urban areas of the United States in February rose nearly 15 per cent from January, Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins reported.

BUILDING OF FARM HOUSES URGENT NEED

Washington, D. C.

Construction of 12,600,000 non-farm houses will be needed during the first 10 years of peace, John B. Blandford Jr., administrator of the National Housing Agency, told a meeting of the National Council of American-Soviet Friendship, Inc., in New York recently. More than 6,000,000 of these houses will be needed for returning service men, to take care of normal increases in families now sharing quarters with others, he said. The remainder will be needed to replace sub-standard houses, assuming a 20-year program for complete replacement of such structures.

Wartime Living

The division of mathematical labor in the American home is fine to behold, observes the St. Louis "Post-Dispatch." Mother struggles with ration points and father with income tax.

Household Supplies

Limited supplies of new radios, washing machines, vacuum cleaners and furniture should be available within a year. Production of electric irons and stoves will be stepped up. Government controls on these items will be kept until larger quantities of material are available, but limited production will be permitted in localities where manpower and materials are available. Hospital and essential civilian needs come first, with washing machines, refrigerators and other badly-needed items heading the list.

Prize Riddle

What creature is it that talks like a loon, walks like a goose, acts like a skunk, and is finally caught with its bridges down? Send your answer to Mr. Morgenthau, care of Station WUSA, being sure to inclose \$18.75, and you will get a nice War Bond. — NEW YORK TIMES MAGAZINE.

Labor Council Joins Up With Social Agency

New Haven, Conn.

The New Haven Council of Social Agencies unanimously accepted an application of the Central Labor Council for membership. Affiliation with the social agencies council is considered by local AFL leaders important in furthering a closer working relationship between union members and the programs conducted for the general social welfare.

Union Man Says Nazi Brutality Is a Fact

Washington, D. C.

"The stories you hear about German atrocities are true. I didn't believe them myself until I saw those mutilated bodies of American men with heads bashed in, eyes gouged with bayonets." This was a member of United Steelworkers speaking, Pfc. Edward K. Assel, who is now a patient at Walter Reed General Hospital here.

NO 'LITTLE STEEL' FOR CONGRESS!

Washington, D. C.

In a generous mood, the House voted its members \$2,500 extra pay a year for expenses — tax free, with scarcely a word in opposition.

After the session, two congressmen were in the elevator returning to their offices. One turned to the other and asked, "Well, did you vote for the raise, judge?"

The dignified polltaxer replied, "No, sir, I voted against it. But it was a wonderful victory."

It's a wise husband who bought his wife such fine china for Christmas that she won't trust him to wash the dishes. — WALL STREET JOURNAL.

—Buy U. S. War Bonds!

Klan Organizer Says His Gang Out to Get Jew, Negro, Catholic

Wichita, Kansas

A Ku Klux Klan organizer has arrived here to organize a KKK in Kansas. He is George C. Ahearn of Tuscaloosa, Miss. He claims he already has 95 members in Hutchinson, 72 in Newton and 57 in Wichita.

Ahearn's work will be completed when he has a Klan of 100 members in each of these cities at \$20 a member, he told Federated Press, adding: "In Tuscaloosa all real people are klansmen and down there niggers, Jews and Catholics don't stick their necks out."

Save Old Shoes!

Hang onto your old shoes, too—rationing will continue because of lack of leather and there'll be more substitution of fabric and non-leather shoes. Nylon and silk stockings will not be plentiful until V-J Day. Laundry and cleaning service should improve. Delivery service will be curtailed as in the past.

ALL OUT FOR THE MIGHTY 7th

The Biggest War Loan Drive of All!

Victory comes high!

THEIR "QUOTA" MAY BE DEATH

Your Quota is Bigger Bonds

AS THE tempo of war increases... as the lines of communication grow longer... as the need for new guns, tanks, planes grows more urgent... the cost of the war is at an all-time high.

That is reason Number 1 why every American must back this MIGHTY 7th War Loan Drive beyond all limits of what he thinks he can afford.

Reason Number 2 is that this is really two drives in one. By this time last year, you subscribed to two War Loans.

BUY MORE AND BIGGER BONDS

Yes, the need is greater than ever before. And YOU... everybody... must invest a greater portion of your income... of your cash reserves... in War Bonds Now! Study the chart on this page. Figure out your personal quota—and make it!

You know that War Bonds are the safest investment in the world... that you get back

at maturity \$4 for every \$3 you invest... that they safeguard your future security... and that you can cash them in on a moment's notice in case of emergency. So let's go, Americans! Buy bigger bonds and more of them!

***People's Quota: 7 Billion Dollars**

Everybody... Everywhere... Buy More-MORE-MORE!

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The Seventh War Loan Drive has just begun. We are all aware of why the sale of War Bonds is so important. Members of your family who are standing today upon the battlefronts are fighting for more than victory in war. They are fighting for a new world of freedom and peace. They are appealing to you with all possible earnestness to invest in War Bonds to the fullest extent of your capacity, which is so necessary to hasten the victory, and speed their return home.

To all of our members employed at the Spiegel Food Company: The Personnel Office under the direction of Lester Rogers will sell bonds during the present Seventh War Loan Drive, and will also write up payroll deductions. It looks as if the months ahead will have plenty of work for all of us at Spiegel's.

We regret to state that Brother Herman Johnson, a trustee of this Union, has resigned in order to take a position as foreman at the Spiegel's Food Company. Brother Johnson deserves a great deal of credit for the manner in which he has conducted himself as a member and an officer of our Union. We wish to extend to him every success in his new venture, and assure him that he will always be welcome in our Local Union in the event he returns.

To our members employed in the Watsonville area: Western Frozen Foods—On May 14 a ruling was issued by the Tenth Regional War Labor Board with reference to your case up for reconsideration. The following rates were approved as of August 17, 1944: Weigher, 0.95 per hour minimum; Clark Lift operator, 0.95 per hour. The following rates are also in effect: Maintenance mechanic, \$1.05 per hour; assistant maintenance mechanic, 0.95 per hour; drivers local, \$1.00 per hour; belt feeders, 0.75 per hour. The sale of the classifications remain the same. A differential of .05 per hour for all employees on the second shift up until midnight. The balance of the classifications remain the same insofar as their rates are concerned. At our next regular meeting in Watsonville, which will be held on Monday, June 4, at the Watsonville Labor Temple, the above rates and piecework rates will be discussed.

Brother Kenyon has been working in the Watsonville area for the past two weeks, and he has already signed up the employees of two companies, namely, Crosetti Brothers and J. A. Matulich Company. In the instance of Union Ice Company, grievances have been made with reference to safety to our members employed with that firm. Any of our members employed at the Union Ice Company who received premium pay for the grave-yard shift prior to January 1, 1945, will you kindly give that information to our business representative when he shows up on the job.

Several weeks ago the Union made reference to certain increases in the following classifications: In Watsonville Ice Industry, top stacker, 0.90c per hour; head trucker 0.90c per hour.

Some of our members are entitled to back pay, and if you have not received the same, contact business representative Kenyon.

To our members employed in the ice industry in the Salinas area: Your case which has been before an Appeals Committee for a long time with reference to a .05c per hour increase will be decided in the very near future. This case has been before an Appeals Committee for reconsideration. Further information was requested from the Wage Stabilization Committee, and we are hopeful that a favorable decision will be rendered. In the instance of the Arbitration Hearings affecting vacations with pay at the Salinas Valley Ice Company plants, the fifth member of the committee failed to render a decisive opinion. A new hearing will be held and a new man must be chosen. Upon receipt of the opinion, the matter will be conveyed to the men immediately.

With reference to our cannery case as it applies to our people employed at the Frank Raiter Cannery Company, Stabilization Directorate already rendered an opinion in the instance of the night shift work as it may affect the Lure cannery groups. Action will be taken very soon, no doubt, on the balance of the issues involved, such as the 8-hour day, or the 48-hour week. Vacations with pay and other conditions which may mean an improvement where you are employed. This may be of interest to some of our members. You may now transfer into any of the canneries in Northern and Central California without any additional fees. This also applies to the state of Washington, and Oregon. Our International Union has been given jurisdiction of all fruit and vegetable canneries.

Attention lettuce truck drivers: Meetings are being held with your

employer with reference to your present working agreement. Watch this column for further information.

To all of our members in the Salinas area, particularly women: If you become unemployed, please register for employment at our office. Many jobs are available now.

To all of our members employed at Sam Regas and Sons, San Juan, California: Applications for wages, hours, and conditions as agreed upon, is now before the Tenth Regional WLB for their approval. Because of the perishable nature of the commodities you are processing, your Union is hopeful that a decision will be rendered very soon. In any event, retroactive dates will apply.

To all of our members who live in Salinas and vicinity: Your Union is very much in accord with the sponsors of the Public Swimming Pool which will be started on at the next election. You must remember that this will add to the welfare of the community, not only from a recreational standpoint, but it will be a memorial to the returning veteran. Improvements such as an auditorium, swimming pools, recreational grounds will always receive the approval of those who come from the ranks of labor. The money is paid by labor, the work is performed by labor, and we of labor enjoy these facilities.

The following poem is written by Brother Earl Safley whose son was killed in action in January, 1945, in France. We deeply regret, also, to hear of the news of the death of Brother Donald C. Boyd's son who was killed in action in the last days of the European War. These boys died so that we can live as free men and women. In order that we may continue to live as free men and women, we must continue to buy bonds:

IN MEMORY OF OUR SON
There is a blue star in a window,
Shining brightly as can be,
Shining for some loved one,
Who is far beyond the sea,
While the blue star is shining,
He is fighting gallantly and bold,
And may God bless the loved ones,
When that blue star turns to gold.

Your organization has a sick fund the purpose of which is to take care of our members in the event of disability or sickness. However, certain conditions must be followed in order that the sick fund is properly distributed. In the event you become sick or disabled, report it to the office immediately. After you have been sick for a week, request the sick form from the union office. This must be filled out by yourself and your doctor and returned to our office. Please report off the sick list when you are ready to go to work. These conditions indicate you are not or you are in good standing. In order to be in good standing, your dues must be paid on or before the 15th day of the current month. In the event you aren't able to pay your dues in the office, either enclose a check or a mail order with your dues book in an envelope, and you will be credited by return mail.

Jap Attack on Ship For Wounded Enrages Workers at Shipyard

San Pedro, Calif.
The attack by a Japanese suicide plane on the navy hospital ship U.S.S. Comfort carrying a full load of Okinawa wounded, with its resulting 63 casualties, has particularly enraged members of Local 9, Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers.
Local 9 members worked on the ship and outfitted it last year. They remember the impressive ceremonies at the Bethlehem yards on May 5, 1944, when the ship was officially sent off on its mission of mercy. Only four months ago, IUMSWA members recall, the Comfort returned to the harbor, bringing 700 wounded soldiers from Leyte and New Guinea.

Okch, Vets, You Can Start Peddling Apples

Veterans of World War II will be permitted to peddle apples and other goods in Ohio without paying the regular peddler's license fee under a bill passed by the house. The vote was 110 to 0.

Line of Jobless Grows at Ford's Plant; Workers Demanding Action

Detroit, Michigan
Rapid demobilization of war workers at Ford Motor Co. plants finds the authorities in the Detroit area virtually helpless while members of the United Auto Workers are demanding swift action to forestall mass unemployment.

State Director Edward L. Cushman of the war manpower commission airily dismissed the whirlwind tapering off of the huge Willow Run bomber plant, expected to close down this month, as the natural end of what he termed a "glamor plant." He lightly said: "Workers, especially women, should be impressed with the fact that similar jobs are not available."

More seriously UAW Pres. R. J. Thomas told a huge mass meeting of Ford workers: "Unless more adequate planning is done we are facing unemployment for everyone in Detroit. Let the government put up these plants for sale and we'll find out if the manufacturers want the plants scrapped or are trying to get a good bargain by waiting."

'RACE HATE' PROPAGANDA INVESTIGATED

Springfield, Illinois
A state senate committee has been formed in Illinois to investigate sources of anonymous circulars, pamphlets and letters "calculated to create hatred of racial and religious groups."

The senate adopted by unanimous vote a resolution creating the committee, which will have the power to issue subpoenas compelling the appearance of witnesses and the production of all relevant material circulated to stir up race hatred.

The action was taken after many senate members had received anonymous circulars of this nature attacking pending legislation for a state FEPC.

Martin Dies In Law Biz, Voice For Oil, Timber

Austin, Texas
Former Rep. Martin Dies, champion red-baiting ex-head of the committee on un-American activities, is now practicing law in east Texas.
It is assumed here that Dies will represent the big oil and timber interests around Lufkin in San Angelo county. It was announced recently that he is associated with J. J. Collins, head of a Lufkin law firm.



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This war in the Pacific is stepping up in fury. There are millions of tough, brutal Japs to lick. Every American soldier, sailor and Marine knows there is bloody, costly battling ahead in the assault on the inner core of Jap militarism. It will take billions of dollars to buy the staggering amounts of equipment and supplies needed to smash the Jap war machine. That is why the 7th War Loan is bigger in quota and calls for a step-up in the buying of War Bonds—more Bonds, BIGGER Bonds to finish the Big Job faster.

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Labor Pledges Final Efforts To Smash Jap War Machine

Washington, D. C.
V-E Day, with its message of cheer through the unconditional surrender of the German military machine, is just half our commitment. The war job is not finished; our mission for world democracy is unfilled.

The remaining half of the job—the continuing and mounting war on Japan until her unconditional surrender—will be a new test for American labor. It will be more severe, in a sense, than the tests of the past few years.

To meet this test in the eyes of America and of the world, workers are called upon to stay on their war job until complete victory.

PLEDGE TO MEET TEST
Both AFL Pres. William Green and CIO Pres. Philip Murray have issued formal statements calling upon unionists to continue steadfastly on the job of war production until the armed might of democracy has overcome its deadly enemies in the Pacific and Asiatic fronts.

In the face of these official calls to keep up production, there will be provocative incidents in various local areas, in industries. Few will care to understand the whys and wherefores of these incidents, but labor will be expected to carry on as before V-E Day—to finish the course, to do its heavy share in winning the war against Japan.

The national leadership of labor, in all factions, is keenly aware of the situation created by V-E Day. These men know the problem and the fears felt in the field, and they are working long and hard to force an early and equitable settlement of the issues involved.

Labor Council Plaque on Tank Found on Front

Minot, North Dakota
A few days ago the Minot, N. Dakota Central Labor Union received a letter from deep in the heart of Germany, telling them that the plaque from a heavy tank bought by their organization's War Bond investments had been found beyond the Roer River, giving mute evidence that their War Bond investments had valiantly done battle with the enemy.

An optimist is a man who thinks that business is going to reduce prices because of their sympathy for the public.

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BARTENDERS, HOTEL AND RESTAURANT EMPLOYEES 483—Meets at 315 Alvarado St. 1st Monday at 8:30 p.m. and 3rd Monday at 2:30 p.m. Pres. and Bus. Agent, E. D. McCutcheon. Secretary, Pearl Robinson, 315 Alvarado St., phone 6734.

BRICK MASON LOCAL UNION NO. 16—Meets Building Trades Hall, second and fourth Friday, 8:00 p.m. President F. B. Hair, P. O. Box 264, Watsonville; Fin. Sec., M. Real, 154 Eldorado, Monterey, Phone 6745; Rec. Sec., Geo. Houde, 208 Carmel Ave., Pacific Grove, Phone 8715.

BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION TRADES COUNCIL OF MONTEREY COUNTY—Meets 1st and 3rd Thursdays at 411 1/2 Alvarado St., at 8 p.m. Pres., W. L. Dickerson, 201 Monroe St., phone 3160. Secretary and Bus. Agent, L. T. Long, Pacific Grove, phone P.G. 4292. Office at 411 1/2 Alvarado St., phone 6744. Mailing address: P.O. Box 611. Office hours: 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., 7:30 to 9 p.m.

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ELECTRICAL WORKERS NO. 1072—Meets 2nd Monday at 411 1/2 Alvarado Street, Monterey. E. C. Geary, president. Paul Day, secretary, Phone 7550.

AFL FISH CANNERY WORKERS UNION OF PACIFIC, MONTEREY COUNTY—Meets on call. Pres. and Bus. Agent, Louis Martin; Sec., Lester Caveny. Office, Labor Temple, 320 Hoffman St., New Monterey.

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MONTEREY COUNTY FEDERATED TEACHERS NO. 457—Meet in Monterey second Wednesday, 5:00 P. M. Fin. Sec., Wayne Edwards, 823 Johnson Ave., Monterey, Phone 7822.

MUSICIANS 616—Meetings, when called, held at 315 Alvarado St., Monterey, at 2:30 p.m. Pres., A. A. Hirsch, Seaside, Calif., phone Monterey 4257. Secretary, Harry H. Judson, Box 422, Pacific Grove, phone P.G. 6166. Office at 500 Asilomar Blvd., Pacific Grove, phone P.G. 6166.

PAINTERS 272—Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 315 Alvarado St. at 8 p.m. Pres., Robert Deakin, 149 Monterey, Pacific Grove, phone P.G. 9285. Sec., Ed. L. Castle, 457 W. Wade, Monterey, phone 6132. Financial secretary, J. C. Hazelwood, 419 9th St., Pacific Grove, phone P.G. 7905.

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PLUMBERS AND STEAMFITTERS NO. 62—Meets 2nd and 4th Friday at 411 1/2 Alvarado Street at 8 p.m. L. A. Trine, President, Phone 5704. H. Diaz, secretary, 1271 3rd Street, Monterey, Phone 7898.

POST OFFICE CLERKS, Monterey Branch No. 1292 of National Federation of Post Office Clerks (AFL)—Meets first Friday of month. Pres., Boyd Beall; Vice-Pres., E. I. Edwards; Sec. Treas., Art J. Smith.

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GEORGE E. OUTLAND

This column is being written on V-E Day. Now after the evident misunderstandings which resulted in a premature announcement of surrender, the people of this country and of the world are rejoicing. The war in Europe, for all practical purposes, is over; the Nazis, the self-styled "supermen," have been whipped and whipped soundly, not by military and naval might alone, but by the moral force of the decent, peace-loving nations of all the world. The United States, together with its allies, has administered the knockout blow, and no amount of Nazi rationalization can explain away the defeat.

As we rejoice, however, there are several things to consider which cannot be lost sight of in the surrender of Germany. These considerations we must all be aware of; they are mighty problems yet to be solved.

The first and most obvious, of course, is the necessity for full prosecution of the war against Japan. Germany and Japan must be held equally guilty for the aggression that brought on this horrible war, they have been equally guilty in the atrocities committed, they must be held equally guilty when the final peace treaty is written. Meanwhile, the war against Japan must be carried through, not alone by the United States, but by Great Britain and the rest of our allies. It is no time for anyone to start "taking it easy," either on the international front or here on the home front. When the Japanese representatives have sued for unconditional surrender, it will be time to start celebrating.

A second and almost equally important consideration which V-E Day forces upon us is the necessity for the United Nations to agree upon the type of international organization that is needed in the post-war period. No matter how much some people want to "get back to normalcy," the "normalcy" of former years is impossible. The San Francisco Conference faces the immediate responsibility of making every minute count in the formulating of a United Nations agreement, which will stand up during the transition years immediately following. This is no time for quibbling or minor details or for permitting false rumors and historical prejudices to hinder the calm and collective consideration of international organization. The time is now; V-E Day has only served to re-emphasize that fact and to make it more acute. Similarly, the Congress of the United States must stop wasting time with pressure groups and must enact at the earliest possible moment the Bretton Woods Agreements, which, as I have tried so often to point out in this column and elsewhere, are as essential to post-war peace and stabilization as will be the political agreements drawn up at San Francisco.

A third vital consideration which V-E Day drives home is the necessity for extending and making more comprehensive our plans for demobilization and for reorienting our national life economically. While the war with Japan goes on, many changes will be necessary here on the home front. The current issue of the magazine BUSINESS WEEK estimates that we shall soon have a minimum of 5,000,000 unemployed and goes on to state that this "is not considered dangerous." Now maybe BUSINESS WEEK does not consider that 5 million men out of work creates a dangerous situation, but I wonder what those same 5 million themselves will say? Moreover, what will the communities say that will have to help support them? What will the merchants say who will lose 5 million customers? To me it seems to pose a most serious problem and one which challenges the best thinking in Congress, in the Administration, and in industry itself.

The implications in these few statistics are of tremendous importance. To your representative they re-emphasize the necessity for comprehensive government planning and comprehensive planning on the part of private enterprise. More than that, they are a challenge to both government and industry. As we celebrate V-E Day let us constantly keep in front of us that the problems which we still face are, in many ways, as difficult and as important as those which have already been solved.

Pome of Pashun

It takes a wedding
To make a fellow learn;
At first he thinks she's his'n
But later learns he's her'n.

The Boss' Heartache . . . Redfield

"The future looks rugged, Twimbly. Some time we have to take back all those vice-presidents we got rid of as \$1-a-year government men."

From the Ammunition Box

Columbus, Ohio
Here's a potent reconversion fact Ohio unionists are getting ready to act on after looking over the Ammunition Box, sent out weekly by the Ohio Industrial Union Council:

"Uncle Sam—you and I—today owns 90% of the synthetic rubber capacity; 90% of aircraft production facilities; 96% of the magnesium capacity; 70% of the aluminum capacity; 50% of machine tool factories; 10% of the nation's steel plants. "Big business is already attempting to get this vast industrial empire (built with our war bonds) for little or nothing on the auction block. Average people everywhere should (1) prevent such a steal, (2) insist that these plants be released only for full production."

UNION ASKS PASSAGE OF RECIPROCAL TRADE BILL

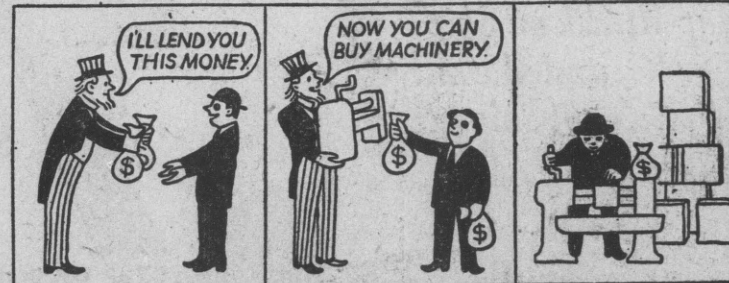
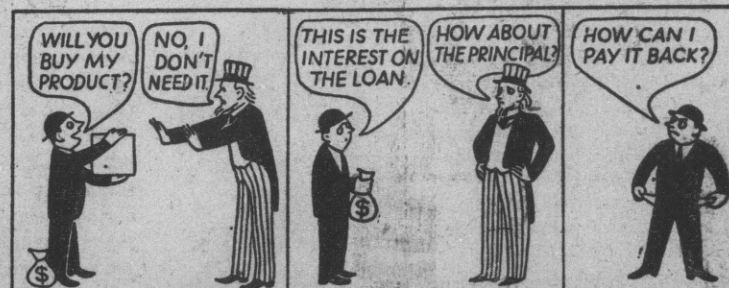
Washington, D. C.
Secretary-Treasurer Jacob S. Potofsky of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers and Chairman of the Latin American Affairs committee told the House Ways and Means Committee that the passage of the reciprocal trade agreements act was vital to prosperity and peace.

The Amalgamated official said "there is no escaping these plain facts. The fact is that we have these great production capacities exceeding any likely demand in the U. S., and unless we can figure out a way to enlarge their foreign markets, a great many workmen, and a lot of plant and farm capacity, and a great many producers of all kinds of raw materials are going to have to look for work in other fields."

It is difficult to understand why other people do not profit by their mistakes.

Farmer Not So Dumb

Columbus, Ohio
Pessimists who still think farmers live in a world apart from labor should take a look at the May issue of the Ohio Farm Bureau News—and don't confuse the Farm Bureau, oldtime farmers' organization, with the Farmers Union. "The war has helped American farmers face an important fact squarely," the farm organ says. "Industry, going at full tilt—urban America fully employed at good wages—these have added up to the most effective farm program agriculture has enjoyed in the past 25 years."

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Without reciprocal trade agreements, small nations, unable to find markets for the goods they produce, will be forced into bankruptcy. This will prevent them from either repaying the loans they have made for rehabilitation or buying our own manufactured goods. Loss of markets means idle factories in America, as well as in the rest of the world. (Foreign Policy Assn. via Federated Pictures)

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Your organization has a sick fund, the purpose of which is to take care of our members in the event of disability for sickness, however certain conditions must be followed in order that the sick fund is properly distributed. In the event you become sick or disabled,

report it to the office immediately. After you have been sick for a week, request the sick form from the Union office which must be filled out by yourself and your doctor, and returned to our office. Please report off the sick list when you are ready to go to work. These conditions indicate you are not or you are in good standing. In order to be in good standing, your dues must be paid on or before the 15th day of the current month. In the event you aren't able to pay your dues in the office, either enclose a check or a mail order with your dues book in an envelope and you will be credited by return mail.

Our Union extends congratulations to the men and women employed at the canneries at Gilroy and Hollister who have voted to affiliate with this organization. Now that the Executive Council of the American Federation of Labor has officially approved the move, there is every indication that the close relationship that has existed for so many years between the cannery workers and the teamsters will continue permanently. We have a meeting hall in Gilroy, California; you are welcome to meet there. Our facilities are at your disposal. You will gain a tremendous advantage because of the economical strength that comes of strong organization. Our Local Union with main offices in Salinas hope that other federal charter groups who rightfully affiliate themselves with a strong international union will follow the wise step taken by over 100,000 cannery workers in the state of California. Our craft is so allied

MINUTES**Bldg. Trades Council**

Meeting of the Building and Construction Trades Council of Monterey County was called to order by President William J. Dickerson at 8 P. M., May 17, 1945. Roll call showed eight local unions represented. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. All bills were ordered paid.

Correspondence: Received a letter from Lathers Local Union No. 122 with credentials for Brother E. S. Morse and Roy Benges as delegates. The letter received and the delegates seated.

A letter from Hod Carriers, Building and Common Laborers No. 690, giving information on a swimming pool to be built at Camp Robert.

A letter from the United States Treasury Department requesting the support of Labor in the 7th War Loan drive. (Approved).

A letter from the State Federation of Labor giving information on the defeat of the De Mille bill and the sponsor's intention to have it placed on the ballot at the next state election, and asking that Labor use its influence to prevent its friends from signing the petition.

Received a copy of the minutes of the B. & C. T. C. of Santa Clara County.

From the State B. & C. T. C. of California, two letters reporting the State Legislation as it affects Labor.

Two weekly news letters from the State Federation of Labor.

Received a report from the Northern California Union Health Committee.

Received a report on the activities of the American Red Cross.

Business manager's report: There are several new homes being started. He visited Robles Del Rio where there are four new homes in progress, visited Salinas to take up jurisdiction on the installation of work. All jobs are working short handed. (The report was accepted).

Reports of Unions: Brother Allop, Sheet Metal Workers No. 304—good meeting, elected officers for the next year. The present officers were retained except for the trustees, who were newly elected.

Brother Webster, Carpenters No. 1323—routine business, initiated two new members.

Brother Walker, Roofers No. 50—no regular meeting, but attended State Council meeting held in Fresno, where many things of importance were discussed. They sent a protest to the Mail Order Houses for the way they have given preference to non-union roofers when selling their material.

Brother Fales, Electrical Workers No. 1072—good meeting. They have several new members in the local, but are still short of help.

Brother Morse, Lathers No. 122—no regular meeting. The work has increased considerably in the past month.

Good of the Council: Several minutes of discussion as to what would constitute work essential to the war effort.

No further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 8:45 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,
L. T. LONG, Secy.-Mgr.

The portion of a law usually found unconstitutional is the teeth.

Tito Gives Co-ops 'Green Light' Signal

"Particular attention will be paid to the cooperative movement, which will play an important part in the reconstruction of the country." This authoritative statement was made by Marshal Tito in the course of a speech on "The Tasks of the National Government," in which he outlined the aims and policy of the government of Democratic Federal Yugoslavia, which, formed on March 7, 1945, has taken over the conduct of the state. — COOPERATIVE NEWS, Manchester, England.

Machinists in Stand Against Compulsory Training After War

Washington, D. C.
A resolution opposing compulsory peacetime military conscription has been adopted by the executive council of the International Association of Machinists in session here.

The resolution said that in Europe compulsory military service imposed a severe burden on the people "while popular education and general well-being suffered as a result of it." It said "peacetime military conscription is a violation of American tradition and a direct blow at democracy."

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